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Celebrating Freedom

Ebeye Memorial Day looks to past, future

By KW Hillis
Feature Writer

The three flags — American, Republic of the Marshall Islands and Kwajalein Atoll — unfurled in the fresh breeze. USAKA personnel, RMI dignitaries, high school band members and Ebeye children stood together for the final notes of the RMI anthem during the Memorial Day parade and ceremonies commemorating the 58th anniversary of the liberation of Kwajalein Atoll.

After an opening prayer, *Iroj* Michael Kabua gave his blessing and approval to the visitors on Kwajalein Atoll in keeping with Marshallese custom. Speaking for the
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Inset: Federal and local police display the RMI national flag and the Kwajalein Atoll flag at Friday's Memorial Day ceremony.



(Photo by Peter Rejcek)

CILHI commander Col. David Pagano, center with cap, talks with his excavation team about the Makin Raider mission.

CILHI commander not ready to give up

By Peter Rejcek
Associate Editor

Col. David Pagano, squinting even on this mostly overcast day, sees no reason to

stop searching now for the Makin Raiders.

The commander of the Central
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Hospital temporarily stops mammograms

By Peter Rejcek
Associate Editor

The latest apparent casualty of the 9/11 terrorist attacks is mammography services on Kwajalein.

"We've been deemed a foreign country," said Beth Turnbaugh, Kwajalein Hospital administrator. Turnbaugh explained that the radiology group in Honolulu reported that its insurance carrier is discontinuing coverage for Hawaiian medical groups, and that no other medical insurance carrier is providing liability (malpractice) insurance for medical imaging studies performed outside of the U.S. as a consequence of the Sept. 11 attacks.

As a result of that decision, mammograms have been temporarily discontinued as of Feb. 1. Radiology Associates, which reads or interprets Kwajalein mammograms in Honolulu, told the hospital administration that its liability insurance would no longer allow it to offer the service to Kwajalein because the installation is overseas, according to Turnbaugh.

She said it is unclear why Hawaii is being affected. She emphasized that the discontinuation is only temporary and has nothing to do with a proposal last year to permanently dis-

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Editorial

Racism revisited — line still drawn through America

By Tahara Moreno

I have been on Kwaj for 2½ years, and have been a part of the USAKA Special Emphasis Equal Opportunity Programs committee for the same amount of time. This year I was put in charge of the African-American History Month program.

When I first read the national theme — “The Color Line Revisited: Is Racism Dead?” — I was a little concerned about using it in this community, worried it might offend some people. Then a very wise person told me, “If it offends them, there is a problem.” It was then, as an African American living and working on Kwajalein, I agreed, there IS a problem.

When it comes to racism, the problems of the 21st century will be more confusing than ever. Generations before ours struggled against deeply ingrained racist conditions. They died by the hundreds; but by addressing the problems of their day, they brought about changes.

On the surface, genuine progress has been made. As tolerance for racial diversity increases, many individuals feel free to “cross the color line” in their personal lives. Many more people are rejecting racist perspectives wholeheartedly. For some members of our multi-cultural society, it might even seem conceivable that the “problem” of racism is virtually solved.

Racism still exists, discrimination still



exists and the issues are getting cloudier and therefore potentially more dangerous.

The ghosts of Native Americans, Africans, other willing and unwilling immigrants and millions of their children born in the “new” world mingle with the blood and soil of a land that gave them few opportunities in life. A racist history will lead to a racist future until we can talk openly about the past in order to understand how it is still with us in the present. We have to bravely and honestly face the truth, no matter how ugly and offensive it is.

Despite the fact that movements for change have slowed the system down from time to time, the truth is that we still haven't begun to replace racism with any other way of organizing the world. The U.S. continues to promote its image as “the land of plenty,” touting technological progress, economic freedom and educational opportunity for everyone. The implication is that if you somehow fail to wind up prosperous it's nobody's fault but your own.

What are the consequences of believing that our society is an equal, free society where everyone gets what he or she deserves? The conclusion for many is that people who don't have much must be lazy or stupid — that if they're poor, something must be wrong with them.

So although we have made some progress in race relations, we have not changed basic human discrimination. A few generations ago people rationalized human slavery by simply saying that black people were lazy and stupid, so they deserved what they got.

We can't change the way the world was, but we definitely can change the way the world's going to be. The only way to untangle the confusion is to admit painful stories about how and why it has been a racist world.

We can do that, with each other, voice by voice, story by story, and question by question. There's a lot of listening to be done and a lot of voices that need to be heard. Any start is a good start.

Please join the USAKA SEEOP Committee for a luncheon celebrating African American History Month, Feb. 22, at the Yokwe Yuk Club from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Special guest speaker is Marshall Pittman.

(Tahara Moreno is an office automation assistant with USAKA.)

The Kwajalein Hourglass

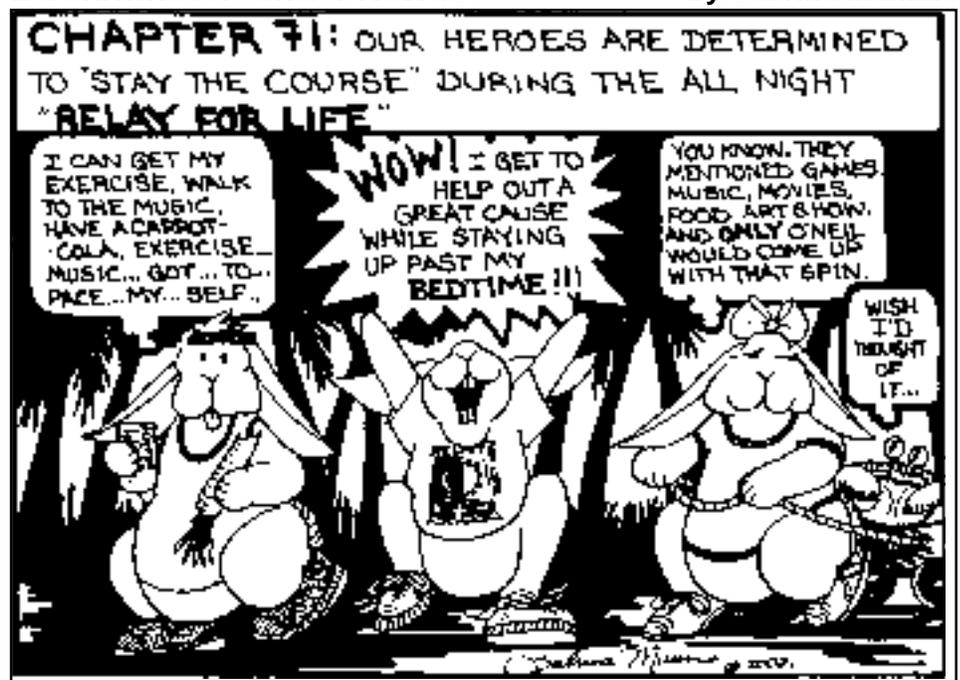
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Buckminster and Friends ————— By Sabrina Mumma



Dry weather continues into new year

Frank Robitaille
Aeromet Meteorologist

The big weather story in January was that the dry weather of late 2001 just kept getting drier.

Rainfall for January totaled only 1.31 inches, 28.5 percent of the the normal 4.56 inches for the month. Conditions became particularly dry during the last 16 days of the month, when rainfall totaled only 0.12 inch. That's only 5 percent of the normal 2.4 inches for that period. Not a single day during the month received an inch or more of rain. The wettest two days, the 7th and 14th, saw only 0.40 inch and 0.34 inch, respectively.

Average wind speed (16 mph) was 8 percent (1.4 mph) less than the long-term normal, and average wind direction was slightly more north of east than the long-term normal. The strongest recorded wind speed was 33.4 mph on the 19th; quite modest compared to the record for the month of 66 mph recorded in 1988. Fore-

casters issued only one Small Craft Advisory — for Kwajalein on the 7th.

Lightning warnings were issued on the 4th for Roi-Namur and on the 7th for most of the east reef including Kwajalein, Roi-Namur and Meck.

The highest temperature recorded was 87 degrees on the 22nd and the lowest was 72 degrees on the 8th. These values compare to long-term normal temperatures of 86 degrees and 77 degrees. Although relatively cool, the low temperature for the month was still a full four degrees warmer than the record low of 68 degrees recorded in 1979.

Moving into February, dry season conditions usually further intensify as average monthly rainfall decreases to 3.23 inches. That is 70 percent of normal January rainfall of 4.56 inches. Also, average trade wind speeds decrease very slightly (17.2 mph compared to 17.4 mph in January) with average direction remaining the same (070 degrees).

Tripler AMC may do imaging services ...

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continue mammograms for budgetary reasons. That issue is still under discussion, said CW2 Wiley Blanton, USAKA Food/Medical evaluator.

The liability coverage also includes regular X-rays and ultrasound studies. Those services will continue, but the hospital will not be able to send the materials off-island for back-up readings until it can find a facility with the appropriate insurance.

"It's a bigger issue," Turnbaugh said of the liability insurance issue.

One option is to use Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu, she said. In fact, they have already agreed to do it in principal, according to Blanton, and he said a deal could be finalized by next month.

However, the mammography service is a highly specialized and regulated industry and comes under the Federal Drug Administration, Turnbaugh said. The hospital's current FDA certification is based on its contract with Radiology Associates. Should Tripler agree to support mammography services, there will be some additional delays before services resume because FDA-mandated documentation regarding Tripler radiologists will need to be forwarded to Kwajalein, according to Dr. Eric Lindborg, Kwajalein Hospital,

chief medical officer.

The other imaging services do not require FDA documentation, and an agreement with Tripler would allow the hospital to send X-rays and ultrasounds off-island for back-up interpretation if needed.

"We generally do," Turnbaugh said. "It looks optimistic that [Tripler] will read them."

Another plan in the works is to see if Raytheon corporate will cover Radiology Associates under its insurance.

"We're exploring different avenues," Turnbaugh said. "Everybody is actively working on it."

In the meantime, the hospital will limit off-island mammography referrals to women who require mammography for diagnosis and management of breast lumps, Lindborg said.

The American Cancer Society recommends all women 40 and older get a mammogram and clinical examination once a year, but says all women are at risk for breast cancer. The biggest factor is age, the ACS said. Breast cancer accounts for one out of every three cancer diagnoses in the U.S., according to the ACS.

"Women who have questions regarding timing or need for imminent mammography should contact their physician," Lindborg said.

Pianist to play Kwaj

By Barbara Johnson
Feature Writer

Residents who were on island six years ago will probably remember classical pianist Roman Rudnytsky's visit and his enthusiastic reception at two sold-out concerts. Now on his Second Micronesian Tour, the virtuoso will give an encore performance in Kwajalein this week. The community is invited to hear him play Friday at 7 p.m. in the high school MP room.

The concert will be free of charge, but seating is limited, according to Steve Snider, Community Activities superintendent of Entertainment Services, who helped organized this stop on Rudnytsky's tour.

"He put together a Pacific tour himself, and we got a tip from Cris [Lindborg] and Dick [Shields], who were here when he performed before, that he wanted to return," Snider said.

Community Activities is paying his fee and arranged accommodations, Snider said, adding that they're also looking at setting up a performance on Ebeye or Gugegue, but that hasn't been confirmed yet.

Rudnytsky tours annually in areas not on regular circuits. He arrives Thursday from Majuro, his first stop on this tour. After Kwaj, Rudnytsky will perform in Pohnpei, Saipan, Belau and Guam.

The goal for these Micronesian concerts is not only to provide enjoyment to people throughout the islands, but also to "stimulate interest in the piano and music education in general," according to Rudnytsky's press release.

Born in New York to a prominent Ukrainian musical family, Rudnytsky began studying piano at the age of four and gave his first full recital when he was seven. He is a graduate of Juilliard School in New York and did additional studies at the Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore, Md., and at masterclasses in Austria and Italy, according to his Web site.

He has made numerous recordings and has appeared as a soloist with orchestras around the world. One of the most traveled of all concert pianists, Rudnytsky has performed in more than 75 countries and on every continent during his career.

Rudnytsky's last visit to Kwaj was in February 1996, when he performed for about 150 people at two concerts in the home of former residents William and Mary Ince.

For Friday's concert, Sodexo will have beverages for sale and complementary cheese platters. The doors of the MP room open at 6:15 p.m. for the 7 p.m. concert Friday, and seating is first-come, first-served.

CILHI to ignore Feb. 14 deadline, continue search ...

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Identification Laboratory in Hawaii stopped at Kwajalein over the weekend for a site visit. He paused from digging Saturday morning to talk about the excavation with the *Hourglass*.

"We firmly believe the remains are here," Pagano said. That certainty has led the commander to extend the excavation team's Feb. 14 deadline indefinitely at this point.

"We're going to keep on digging ... It's important. If it's important, you need to do it," he explained. "You never know how close you are."

The scope of the excavation has expanded significantly since it began five weeks ago. CILHI archaeologist Dr. Greg Fox, working under the assumption that some of the World War II features may have been misplotted on the maps, has the team working farther south of its original site, across the road from the Japanese Cemetery. For example, he said the building where the Marines were likely kept may have been located near the entrance of the RTS Photo Lab.

Said Pagano, "It's hard to remap the features from World War II."

To help pinpoint the possible grave site where at least nine Marine Raiders are believed buried, CILHI will bring out an additional anthropologist as well as a historian, according to Pagano. The additional staff were expected to arrive as early as yesterday.

"You've got the right people to find the answer," Pagano said. "They're very firm they're in the right spot."

That spot could even be under a roadway, as it was on Butaritari Island on Makin



(Photo by Peter Rejcek)

Col. David Pagano, CILHI commander, grabs a shovel and digs in with his troops at the Makin Raider excavation site Saturday morning.

Atoll when CILHI found and repatriated the remains of Marine Raiders killed in a commando raid in 1942. The Makin Marines executed here by the Imperial Japanese Navy that same year were part of that raid.

Pagano met with Col. Curtis L. Wrenn Jr., USAKA commander, Saturday about the possibility of having to dig up surrounding roads. Pagano said Wrenn, who left on TDY this weekend, agreed to the action in concept.

"He's been tremendously supportive," Pagano said of Wrenn. The CILHI commander said the team will exhaust other

avenues before it tears up any roads.

Pagano conveyed the news of the extension to the team Saturday morning. It appeared that most would be willing and able to continue the search.

Capt. Nathan Chamberlain, USMC, CILHI team leader, said everyone is agreeable to stay and see the job through, except for one member who is scheduled for a TDY. He will be replaced.

Kwajalein is the final stop on Pagano's swing through the CILHI recovery sites in this part of the world. He also visited teams in Palau, Papua New Guinea and Vietnam. In Papua New Guinea, he said the remains of two B-24 crews — 21 World War II service members — are being repatriated.

"That will be the first ever there," he said. "We'll do [a repatriation ceremony] out of here as well when we find them."

There are 78,000 missing service members from World War II alone. About 35 to 40 percent of those are Navy dead buried at sea, according to Pagano. However, there are many service members whose wrecked planes have been swallowed by island jungles or who, like the Makin Raiders, met with a lonely and mysterious end.

Three of the 18 CILHI teams are dedicated to World War II recoveries, Pagano noted. "They're our most productive," he said, adding that about 40 percent of recoveries are from World War II. Dedicated CILHI teams also work primarily in Southeast Asia (10 teams) and North Korea (five teams).

Interest in the recovery of World War II service members has grown immensely in the last several years, Pagano said. This excavation, for example, has been closely watched by the Marine Raider Association. Members of that organization are tentatively scheduled to come to Kwajalein in early March for a monument dedication for the Makin Raiders. A second monument to commemorate Operation: Flintlock, the invasion that liberated Kwajalein Atoll from the Japanese, is also planned.

Pagano said it is groups like the Marine Raiders who help inspire and motivate CILHI in its worldwide mission.

"When you see them, you can see how important it is to them," he said.

"You never get discouraged," Pagano added. "This is a special mission to us because it's the completion of an uncompleted mission."

Local volunteers Sarah Stepchew, left, and DeAnn Brower look over the mass of debris uncovered at the CILHI excavation site. To volunteer to help the CILHI team recover the Makin Raiders, call 51098 to sign up.



(Photo by Peter Rejcek)

Right: A replica of the World Trade Center towers with a lone firefighter is one theme on the Church of Christ school's "United We Stand" float. A scene depicting the liberation of Kwajalein Atoll during WWII dominated the front of the float.



Wearing a mythical American hero shirt, a small Marshallese boy is mesmerized by the American and Marshallese flags raised at the beginning of Friday's ceremony.



(Photos by KW Hillis)

Memorial Day celebrates Kwajalein Atoll independence ...

Marshallese United Church of Christ singers, dressed in liberation colors of blue, green and white, prepare to sing the RMI national anthem.



national government, RMI representative Botlang Loek said the U.S. support was appreciated both now and during World War II.

The past and the future was the theme of every speech.

"World War II saw the beginning of a friendship between our peoples that has grown into a partnership, especially with the operation of USAKA and the Reagan Test Site," said Col. Curtis L. Wrenn Jr., USAKA commander. "The range is an important asset to the United States. We

depend on the Marshallese to support our mission. I hope this friendship that began many years ago is cultivated and nurtured, and that it continues into the future for the attainment of our

mutual goals of peace and prosperity."

The formal program gave way to a flotilla of school floats, each showing events of the past and present. In the front of one float, a tableau depicted a Japanese bunker being overrun by an American soldier, while in the rear of the float, two smoking twin towers framed a miniature fireman above huge block letters stating, "United We Stand." The Head Start Program float upstaged both the prisoner-of-war and traditional Marshallese dancing floats when five-year-old Godfrey Ishimura, dressed in

combat fatigues, was led up to the podium to talk to a similarly dressed Wrenn, who hoisted him up for everyone to see.

Other events during Memorial Day week include sports competitions between the school teams and canoe racing over the weekend, said Noda Lojkar, USAKA ombudsman.



On the last of four floats, Queen of Peace elementary and high school children perform traditional Marshallese dances.

Classified Ads and Community Notices

HELP WANTED

The following on-island positions are open with Raytheon. For more information or to submit a resumé or application, call HR employment, Beverly Schmidt, 52728.

SCHOOL-AGE SERVICES LEAD INSTRUCTOR. Seeking individual with background working with elementary school children to plan and implement a before- and after-school program and full-day program during school vacations. Individual should have experience with child development and activity planning and willingness to complete training program. Criminal background history check required.

MATERIAL SPECIALIST. Full time. Individual needed to perform administrative duties. Requires good interpersonal skills, knowledge of MS Word and Excel and general office skills.

SPORTSWRITER, The Hourglass. Casual. Must be able to write well, use digital camera and stick to a deadline. Evening and weekend hours required. Knowledge of sports helpful. Submit minimum of three clips to Peter Rejcek, P.O. Box 23, Local; Building 805, second floor at the *Hourglass* office; e-mail: prejcek.usaka.smdc.army.mil. For more information, call 53539.

Raytheon off-island positions are updated weekly in the Career Opportunities Book at the HR counter, Bldg. 700.

USAKA is accepting applications for GS-02 postal clerks. Rating will be based on applicant experience. Positions are temporary NTE one-year, on-island, full-time. Duties include receiving, sorting and distributing mail. Eligibility requirements are U.S. citizenship, must have or be able to obtain a driver's license, must be able to lift a maximum of 70 lbs., have minimum computer and clerical skills, be able to meet requirements for a national agency check, have good oral and written skills and have three months of progressively responsible clerical/office work or high school graduation equivalent. Call Cris Foster, USAKA Civilian Personnel, 54417, for job announcement and application package. Applications will be accepted through March 1.

COMPUTER INSTRUCTORS, University of Maryland. Qualified applicants should have a minimum of a master's degree. For more information, call Eve Cran, 52800, or visit the UMUC office in Building 368 next to Surfway.

WANTED

SOMEONE with experience in cleaning clocks to clean a rare and expensive clock for me. Call Doug, 54120H or 52046W.

UNACCOMPANIED bachelor interested in moving into a UPH trailer on quiet street near the tennis courts and close to the

lagoon. Call Matt, 53966W.

FOUND

FUJI 35 MM camera near Roundhouse. Call 51850.

SERVICES OFFERED

DOG WASHING. I will pick up your dog and return it fluffy, clean and good smelling. Friendly dogs only. To make an appointment, call 54310.

FOR SALE

QUEEN-SIZED BED, extra firm, heavy-duty frame, excellent condition, \$400; Sunami ocean kayak, kevlar, with paddle, \$800; rollerblades, used once, men's size 9, women's size 8, \$40; small ironing board, \$5. Call Jude, 52413, or Ken, 54176.

IKELITE underwater housing for a Canon G1 digital camera, rated for 200 feet. Call Tom, 58331W or 52573H.

FURNITURE, stereo system, storage bins, space savers, plants. Call 52902, after 5 p.m.

21' STARCRAFT center-console boat and boathouse with electricity and water at lot #10, many extra parts and two extra 120 hp Johnson/Evinrude outboard motors, \$14,000 invested, will consider all offers. Call 53143.

SONY 27" TV, \$100; Panasonic upright vacuum cleaner, \$75; large Amana microwave, \$75. Call 54533.

LARGE TROPICAL ceiling fan with light, 52" diameter, two-speed, reversible, \$20; speargun shafts, \$10 each; capiz shell lamp, \$20. Call 52651H.

ENTERTAINMENT CENTER, 6' tall by 5' wide, 28" x 28" TV compartment, four open shelves, two wooden-door and two glass-door compartments, \$150. Call 52404, after 8 p.m.

ALTO SAXOPHONE, notebook computer with scanner and printer, 18-volt cordless tool set, electric stand-up scooter, in-line skates, Bose speakers, surfboards, rod and reel with gaff, three spinning reels, Cannondale bike. Call 53191.

TOSHIBA 19" TV/VCR, remote for both, \$250; Yamaha 9.9 HP longshaft outboard, \$1,600; 12' x 12' standing head room screen tent, \$50; 20" shark carving with real shark teeth, \$40; JBL Magnum XHD speargun, \$100; Mares pneumatic speargun, \$75. Call Mike, 51385.

PLANTS. See at Qtrs. 136-F or call 53648.

UPRIGHT PIANO, \$300. Call 53140.

14K GOLD 20" serpentine necklace, made in Italy, great Valentine's Day gift, paid \$250, will sell for \$175. Call 52642 and leave a message.

TV ANTENNA and pole, \$40; four oak TV trays with stands, \$30. Call 54525,

Small Arms Range Notice

The small arms range will be in operation tomorrow, 8 a.m.-noon. Avoid the hazard area shown below.

All watercraft must observe the red flags on the southwest end of the island.



after 5 p.m.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

USAKA HOST Nation Office reminds the community if anyone is PCSing or has terminated a domestic worker, call 54848 or 55033. You are responsible for the conduct of your domestic worker while he/she is on island.

KDA'S monthly communitywide free dance party is Sunday in the MP room. Dance lessons are 7:30-8 p.m. Open dancing is 8-10 p.m. All teens and adults welcome. Wear appropriate shoes and attire. For more information, call Donna, 53470.

YOKWE YUK Women's Club presents "Kaleidoscope of Music," Feb. 24, 7 p.m., in the MP room. Hosted by Col. Wrenn. Proceeds benefit high school scholarships. Tickets are \$10 each. Call Denise, 54630, or Eileen, 52244.

OPTOMETRIST from Honolulu will be on island March 6-13. For an appointment, call 52223 or 52224. Appointments are



Valentine's Day flowers

will be available for sale tomorrow starting at 10 a.m., at Macy's West.




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very limited.

CONSULAR FROM the U.S. Embassy in Majuro will be on Kwajalein Feb. 20-21. For an appointment, call the USAKA Legal Office, 51431. Applications for Consular Report of Birth Abroad can be picked up at the USAKA Legal Office, Building 901.

KENT DUNCAN, USAKA legal officer, is scheduled to be on Roi-Namur Saturday, 12:30-2:30 p.m. To make an appointment for legal assistance, call 51431.

KWAJALEIN SCUBA Club meeting is tomorrow, 7 p.m., in CAC Room 6.

DO YOU need baby-sitting for the Valentine's Day cruise? The Youth Fellowship is offering to host your children at the REB for donations. For reservations, call the Chapel Office, 53505, or Lora, 54186.

ALL STUDENTS in grades 9-12 are invited to a post-Valentine's Day movie night Sunday, 9 p.m., at the Youth Center. The movie is "10 Things I Hate About You." Bring a batch of cookies to share. Drinks and other snacks are provided. Questions? Call Amy, 53331.

A SPECIAL INVITATION to cancer survivors. We request the honor of your presence at the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. We invite you to celebrate your victory against cancer and share in the hope for a cure during the survivor's victory lap Monday, Feb. 18, 7 p.m.

LADIES, get your guys for the KGA's annual Sadie Hawkins Tournament. One woman and four men scramble with a shotgun start at 1 p.m., Feb. 24. For more information or to sign up, call Carol, 53276.

KWAJALEIN COMMUNITY Band Concert is

Thursday, Feb. 21, 7 p.m., in the MP room.

YOKWE YUK Women's Club invites everyone to a newcomers' get-acquainted coffee Monday, Feb. 18, 9:30-11 a.m., at Qtrs. 202.

CONSUMER ADVISORY COUNCIL will meet in the USAKA command conference room in Building 901 Thursday, 1:30 p.m. The intent of the CAC is to assist the USAKA commander and the merchandising and food services managers in establishing and evaluating merchandising and food services policies and programs. If you have concerns or questions directed toward merchandising or food services on Kwajalein, refer them to your appropriate council representative for discussion at this meeting:

- CW2 Wiley Blanton, USAKA member, 52139
- SSG Flores....USAKA/Post Office.....53461
- Peggy McGinnis.....KPD.....54754
- Yvonne Duarte....Continental.....51013
- Ray Denham.....Surfway.....53607
- Ty Reckling.....Sodexo USA.....53932
- Estelle Rapisardi.....RSE.....55150
- Linda Gentile.....MIT.....54624
- Paul Divinski.....RSE.....53308
- Annette Alley.....Aeromet.....51508

MARSHALLESE CULTURAL Center hours of operation are Fridays, 3-5 p.m., and Mondays, 4-6 p.m. Handicraft demonstrations every Monday, 4-6 p.m. To arrange a special group tour, call Cris, 52935 or 59021.

IF YOU have a child who will be five years of age by Oct. 31 and will be entering kindergarten, notify the elementary school office, 53601.

STUDENT MUSIC recital is Friday, Feb. 22, 7 p.m., in the MP room. Performers should pick up registration forms from their music teacher.

SAS WORKSHOP is March 1, 7 p.m., in the elementary school administration building. The topic is How to Stay Home Alone.

CDC WORKSHOP is Feb. 22, 7 p.m., at the elementary school music room. Topic is Discipline Techniques for Specific Problems.

BARGAIN BAZAAR has bike parts, bowling balls, golf supplies, books and many other bargains. Stop in Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 1-3 p.m., and Wednesdays, 5-7 p.m. Donations always welcome. It is best if donations are dropped off during operating hours. For donation pickup, call 53686.

KWAJALEIN COMMUNITY Activities Photo Lab located in Building 805 will close permanently Feb. 28. If you have items in the facility, remove them prior to this date. For more information, call Steve, 53331.

ORTHODONTIST will be on island Feb. 26-27. To make an appointment, call the

Dental Clinic, 52165, 7:30-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-4:30 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

THIRD ANNUAL RSE Recognition of Safety Excellence Awards Banquet is Saturday, Feb. 16, 2-4:30 p.m., at Emon Beach. All RSE/RSES employees are required to attend. The work bus will make two runs of the route starting at 1:15 p.m. Free food, drinks and giveaways. For more information, call 51503.

2002 ANNUAL boat registration and inspection are due for Kwajalein and Roi. All jet skis and boats longer than eight feet, except windsurfers, sunfish-type sailboats and kayaks not stored on USAKA marina lots, are subject to inspection and registration. There is a registration fee of \$20 per vessel, and a lot fee of \$35-\$100, depending on lot specifications. A late fee is assessed after Feb. 28. The owner of any dry-docked vessel not ready for inspection must submit in writing a detailed schedule for the next six months and an estimated date of completion. For more information, call Sadie, 53643, Kwaj, or Simon or Karen, 56234, Roi.



This week at Gilligan's

Thursday
Don't miss the third and fourth episodes of **The Sopranos.**
Dart tournament at 7 p.m.
DJ Tom Roko, 9-11 p.m.

Friday
DJ Chris Eskew, 9-11 p.m.

Saturday
'50's Sweetheart
Sock Hop, 8 p.m. until closing. Prizes for best costume and dancers.

Sunday
Open Mike Night, 7 p.m.

See you at the movies!

Saturday

Bambi (1942, G)

Disney's animated classic hits 60 this year, but the story never seems to grow old: Young Bambi, a deer, is left on his own after a hunter murders his mother. (69 minutes)
Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Mulholland Drive (2001, R)

David Lynch fans should enjoy his dark and skewed version of Hollywood, where he weaves together the story of a neophyte actress from Canada, a veteran actress who is almost murdered and a director who is being forced by ominous powers to cast a particular woman in his film. (146 minutes)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.

Zoolander (2001, PG-13)

Derek Zoolander is the king of the male modeling world — until an upstart model unseats him. To make matters worse, his good name is smeared in a popular magazine and three of his friends suddenly die in a car accident. Derek decides to devote his life to charity, but instead becomes the unwitting pawn in a political ploy to assassinate the prime minister of Malaysia. (Ben Stiller, Will Ferrell, Owen Wilson, Christine Taylor) (85 minutes)

Tradewinds Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday

Zoolander (2001, PG-13)

Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Mulholland Drive (2001, R)

Tradewinds Theater, 8 p.m.

Monday

Zoolander (2001, PG-13)

Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Mulholland Drive (2001, R)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.



Sixth-grader Rachael Stepchew reads her winning essay about how to stay drug- and violence-free at DARE graduation Thursday at the CAC.

(Photo by Barbara Johnson)

Students DARE to be drug-, violence-free

By Barbara Johnson

Feature Writer

Their commitment was clear and unanimous. Kwajalein sixth-graders pledged to stay drug- and violence-free at their graduation culminating 17 weeks of Drug Abuse Resistance Education Thursday night at the CAC.

Introducing the three winning essay writers, DARE program coordinator and instructor Sgt. Tom Daleke from the Kwajalein Police Department commended the 33 sixth-graders at the ceremony for making a personal commitment for a drug- and violence-free life.

"I would like to stay drug-free because I like who I am," said Elizabeth Keck, one of the winners, as she read her essay to the students, parents and friends in attendance.

"I want to be drug- and violence-free because I want to live a healthy and well-educated life," said Kylie Smith, another winner. "When I grow up I would like to be an electronic engineer and earn my Ph.D.," she said. "In DARE class I learned many reasons why you need to stay drug- and violence-free."

"DARE has taught me that I have the right to say no to drugs, be safe and be treated like the unique person I am," said Rachael Stepchew, the third essay winner.

DARE was founded in 1983 by the Los Angeles Police Department and L.A. Unified School District, Daleke said. Since then the program has spread through the U.S. and to Guam and American Samoa. This is the fifth year in a row that drug use has dropped among teens in America, he said.

Handing out graduation certificates were sixth-grade teachers Joel Waite, Gina Bennett and Jennifer Keck, who helped with the classes.

In congratulating the DARE graduates on their commitment, Sgt. 1st Class Donell Jones, USAKA provost sergeant, said the DARE program will help the students make choices that will go with them the rest of their lives. The graduates are taking responsibility for encouraging other to "dare to say no," he added.

Urging the students to continue their commitment, Jones said, "Always remember to take pride in yourself and your accomplishments."

WEATHER
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Tonight: A few clouds.
Winds: East-northeast at 14 to 19 knots.
Tomorrow: Mostly sunny and windy.
Winds: Northeast to east-northeast at 18 to 22 knots.
Temperature: Tonight's low 80°
Tomorrow's high 87°

February rain total: 0.89"
Annual rain total: 2.20"
Annual deviation: -3.63"

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	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Tuesday February 12	0709/1858	0658/1856 New Moon	0440, 4.6' 1650, 5.6'	1030, 1.0' 2310, 0.6'
Wednesday February 13	0708/1858	0741/1943	0510, 4.8' 1710, 5.7'	1100, 0.9' 2330, 0.6'
Thursday February 14	0708/1859	0822/2029	0530, 4.9' 1740, 5.6'	1130, 0.8'
Friday February 15	0708/1859	0901/2113	0600, 4.9' 1810, 5.5'	0010, 0.9' 1150, 0.9'